

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KABUL 6906

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDIP, PINR, AF, GE

SUBJ: EAST GERMAN DCM RETURNS TO EAST BERLIN

REF: KABUL 5215

1. DR. BERND BIEDERMANN, FORMER COUNSELOR OF THE NEW EMBASSY OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (GDR) AT KABUL, DEPARTED WUGUST 20 FOR A NEW ASSIGNMENT IN THE GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY. BIODERMANN, WHO HAD BEEN STATIONED AT NEW DELHI, CAME UP TO KABUL AFTER THE AFGHAN REVOLUTION TO SET UP A NEW EMBASSY (FORMERLY, THE EAST GERMAN EMBASSY AT TEHRAN COVERED KABUL). BIEDERMANN RECENTLY TOLD AN EMBASSY OFFICER THAT, NOW THAT HERMANN SCHWEISAU, THE NEW GDR AMBASSADOR, HAS PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS (ON AUGUST 7), BIEDERMANN'S WORK HERE IS COMPLETED. HE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO AN ASSIGNMENT AT HOME AFTER SEVERAL YEARS IN ASIA.

2. A HEINZ ERBIG ARRIVED AT KABUL ON AUGUST 17 TO REPLACE BIEDERMANN. IS THERE ANY AVAILABLE BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ABOUT HIM?  
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